Hearing Outcomes: Agenda Part B Subcommittee No. 3 10:00 am, Friday, May 23, 2008

Note: Senator Dutton substituted as a voting member of the Subcommittee for an absent Senator Wyland.

7100 Employment Development Department (EDD)

Vote-Only Item: May Revise Letter: Program Benefit Adjustments

Action: Approved the request.

Vote: 3-0

• EDD Item 1: May Revise Letter: Unemployment Insurance Program Administration—Partially Backfill Federal Funding Shortfall

Action: Approved the request with placeholder provisional language making an additional Contingent Fund appropriation contingent upon failure to receive increased federal funding (see staff comment in agenda for details).

Vote: 3-0

 EDD Item 2: May Revise Letter: Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Adjustments— Discretionary Funds

Action: Approved the LAO's recommendations (including suggested reallocation of various discretionary funds to parolee services per LAO handout) and additionally redirected \$2.0 million in proposed "green technology" funding to parolee services. Sub 4 will take conforming action to reduce GF support for parolee services and score \$9.3 million GF savings.

Vote: 2-0 (Padilla)

7350 Department of Industrial Relations (DIR)

 Vote-Only Item 1: BCP-12—Statewide Facilities—Additional Space for District Offices

Action: Upon reconsideration, approved.

Vote: 2-1 (Dutton)

• Vote-Only Item 2: BBR—Reduce Division of Occupational Safety and Health Staff

Action: Approved the reduction.

Vote: 3-0

 Vote-Only Item 3: BCP-9—Redirect Rehabilitation Unit Personnel to New Return-to-Work Unit with TBL

Action: Approved the requested funding, the proposed TBL, and placeholder SRL requiring the DIR to report on how actual workload compares the projected workload.

Vote: 3-0

• DIR Item 1: BCP-8—Security Upgrades for District Offices

Action: Approved as budgeted with the understanding that the DIR will continue to consider the need to implement additional CHP security recommendations and, in particular, will work with the DGS as appropriate.

Vote: 3-0

DIR Item 2: BCP-17—Implement Amusement Ride Safety Law Revisions—SB 783
 Action: Approved as budgeted, noting that a dwindling fund balance will require action in FY 2009-10 in order to maintain solvency.

Vote: 2-1 (Dutton)

DIR Item 3: Staff Issue—Electronic Adjudication Management Systems (EAMS)
 Action: Adopted provisional language allowing Finance to increase the project appropriation by up to 10 percent in order to provide stakeholders with proper access to the system.

Vote: 3-0

8950 Department of Veterans Affairs (CDVA)

 Vote-Only Item 1: May Revise Letter – Changes to Operating Expenses and Equipment (OE&E) Costs for Eight BCPs

Action: Approved the changes (consistent with previous actions of the subcommittee).

Vote: 3-0

Vote-Only Item 2: BCP-14 – The Pathway Home Program (Y)

Action: Approved the request in anticipation of the revisions in Vote-Only Item 3.

Vote: 3-0

Vote-Only Item 3: May Revise Letter – The Pathway Home Program (Y)

Action: Approved the request.

Vote: 3-0

Vote-Only Item 4: BCP-16 – Skilled Nursing Facility Staff-to-Patient Ratios (CV)
 Action: Approved the request in anticipation of the revisions in Vote-Only Item 5.

Vote: 3-0 (Although I recorded a 3-0 vote here, I believe Senator Dutton's intent was to vote "aye" in response to the original staff recommendation—to deny the request. However, the recommendation/motion was changed just prior to the vote based on input from Finance that Vote-Only Item 5 interacted with this request based on an assumption of approval.)

 Vote-Only Item 5: May Revise Letter – Skilled Nursing Facility Staff-to-Patient Ratios (CV)

Action: Approved the request.

Vote: 2-1 (Dutton)

• Vote-Only Item 6: May Revise Letter – Homeland Security Grant

Action: Approved the request.

Vote: 3-0

 Vote-Only Item 7: Technical Correction – Plata Salary Adjustments (Republican Fiscal Issue)

Action: Approved a \$341,000 GF-reduction to eliminate over-funding in the CDVA budget.

Vote: 3-0

• CDVA Item 1: Staff Issue—Estimate Package TBL

Action: Adopted placeholder TBL requiring the CDVA to provide an estimate package to the Legislature with Governor's Budget each January 10.

Vote: 3-0